



# RENEWING HEALTH: telemedicine services for people with long-term health conditions

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# Background



The overall background of the project is a number of EU conferences and reports describing telemonitoring and the potential benefits of a wider use of telemedicine applications in Europe.

Why telemonitoring is not widely diffused in health systems?



## Consortium



#### Veneto Region (I)

- Region of Southern Denmark (DK)
  - County of Norrbotten (S)
- Region Northern Norway (N)
  - · Catalonia (E)
  - •South Karelia (FI)
  - Region Central Greece (GR)
  - Carinthia (A)
    - Berlin (D)

Regions of Europe

#### Consorzio Arsenàl.IT (I)

- Medcom (DK)
  - eHealth Innovation Centre Lulea university (S)
    - Norvegian Centre for Integrated Care and Telemedcine (N)
      - TicSalut (E)
        - CAHTA (E)
        - VTT Technical Research Centre(FI)
        - •E-Trikala (GR)
        - •TSB (D)

 Representatives of the main categories of telemedicine users, patients and professionals User Advisory Board Industrial Advisory Board

Competenc

e Centre

 A team of multidisciplinary experts from industry leaders in the eHealth sector



## AIM of RENEWING HEALTH



Validating, with a common rigorous assessment methodology (MAST), the use of Personal Health Systems for innovative types of Telemedicine services used to monitor chronic patients with

- → Cardiovascular Disease (CVD),
- → Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
- → Diabetes

and prepare for their wider deployment.



#### Assessment Methodology: MAST- Model for

#### **ASsessment of Telemedicine**







# Tele Monitoring Services



#### **Cluster 1 Diabetes**

Medium-term health coaching and life-long monitoring

#### Cluster 2 Diabetes

Life-long monitoring

#### **Cluster 3 Diabetes**

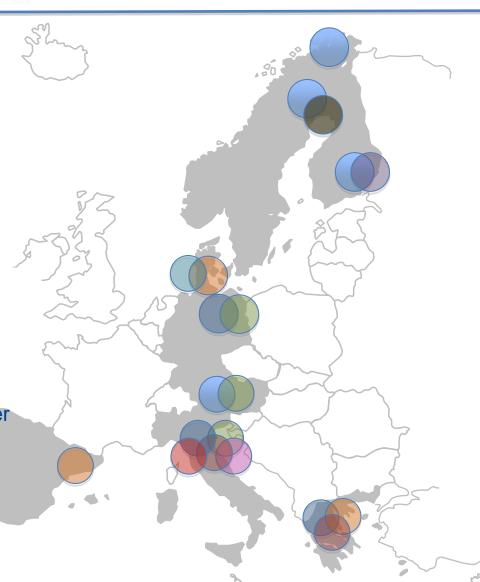
Ulcer monitoring

#### **Cluster 4 COPD**

Short-term follow-up after hospital discharge

#### **Cluster 5 COPD**

Life-long monitoring



#### Cluster 6 CVD

Medium-term health coaching and life-long monitoring

#### Cluster 7 CVD

Remote monitoring of Congestive Heart Failure

#### Cluster 8 CVD

Remote monitoring of implantable cardiac devices

# Cluster 10 Multi pathology

Monitoring of frail patients with chronic deseases

#### Cluster 11 CVD

Congestive Heart Failure with high blood pressure



# Why Veneto Region choose TLM Services?

#### In the Veneto Region\*:

- 20% of population is over 65
- 16.5% of the elderly population is at risk of poverty
- 68% of people over 75 years is suffering from at least two chronic degenarative diseases
- 46% prelevance of multiple chronic diseases in the population aged between 65 and 74



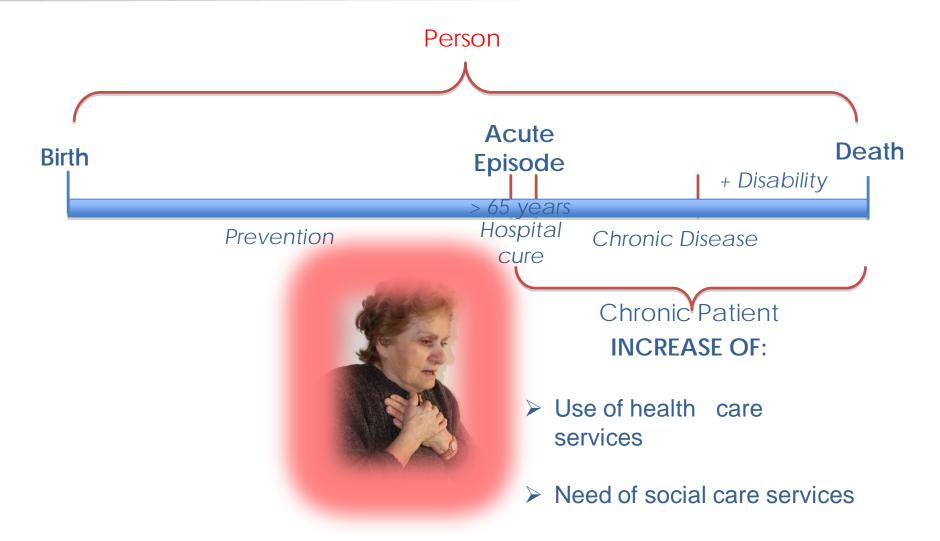
# Regional socialhealth plan 2012-2016

"The area of chronicity is undoubtedly the issue worthy of more attention both in consideration of the impacts on the quality and continuity of care provided and because it absorbs more than half of the demand for services and resources. There is, therefore, the need to define new models of care characterized by a multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary approach. This new model have to be able to put in place mechanisms for the integration of health and social services, promoting the continuity of care and using welfare and organizational solutions that must have clear scientific evidence and effectiveness"\*



# From Person to Patient storyboard

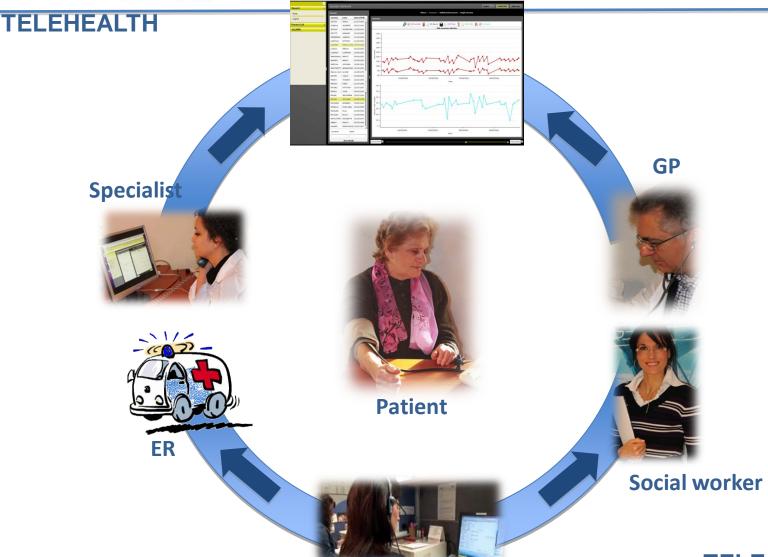






#### **Telemonitoring portal**





**TELECARE** 

eHealth centre operator



# Characteristic patients enrolled\*

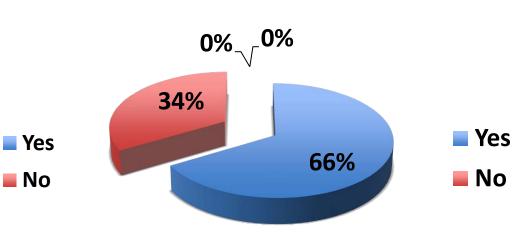


	Intervention group	Control Group			
Mean Age CHF	78,95	78,37			

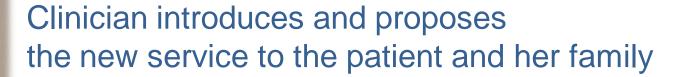
#### **Familiar with PC**

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#### Familiar with mobile phone











# CONFIDENCE AND RELIABILITY



## The success of the new service start from





- √ The telecare system
- ✓ Every steps of the telemonitoring service
- ✓ The use of device















The success of the new service start from





# Clinician gives to the patient the telemonitoring agenda

# DETAILED and CLEAR PLAN of CARE

#### Telemonitoring agenda

	DAY						Time		
	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	AM	PM
SpO2, HR	$\boxtimes$							9	
Blood pressure			$\boxtimes$		$\boxtimes$			9	
ECG								9	
Weight		$\boxtimes$		$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$			9	



## Veneto Region: Equipment at home



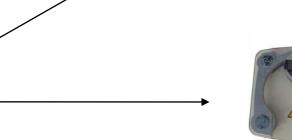




#### Wrist clinic

- Heart Rate
- 1-lead ECG
- Blood pressure
- Regularity of rhythm
- Respiratory rate
- Blood oxygen saturation (SpO2)
- Body temperature



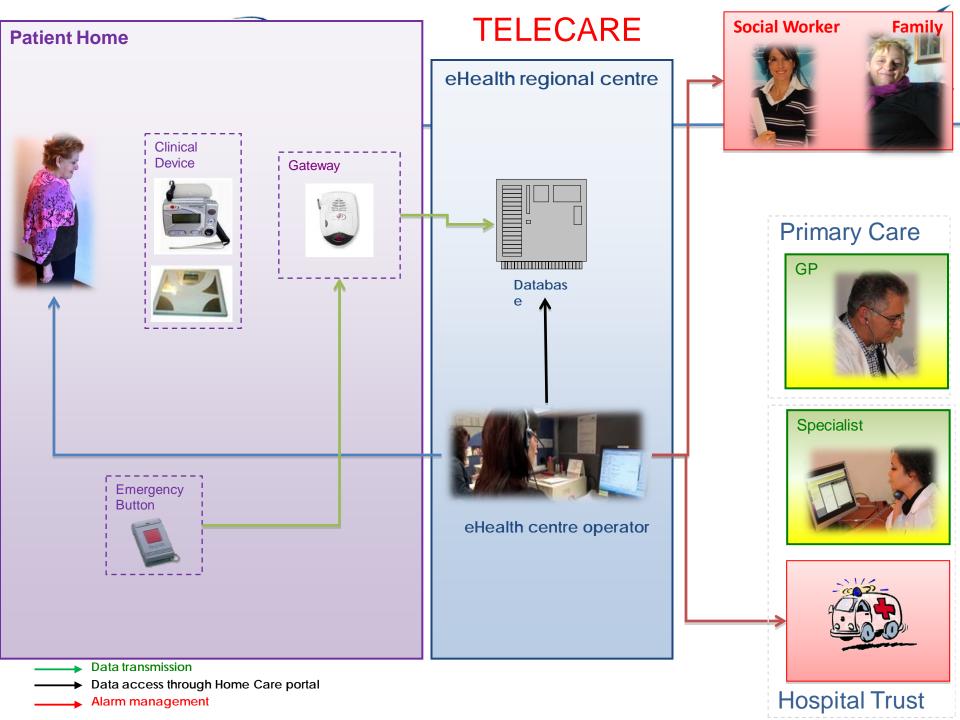


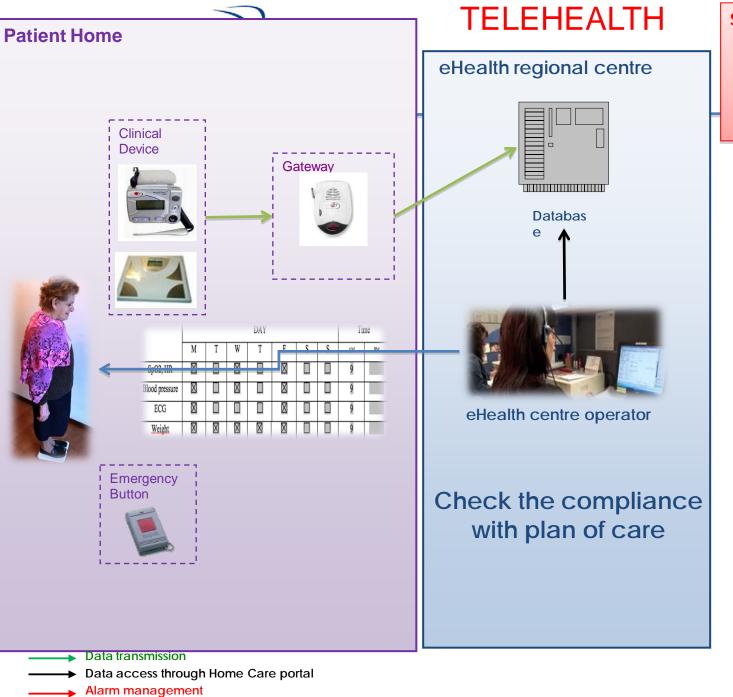


Digital weight scale



**Glucometer** 





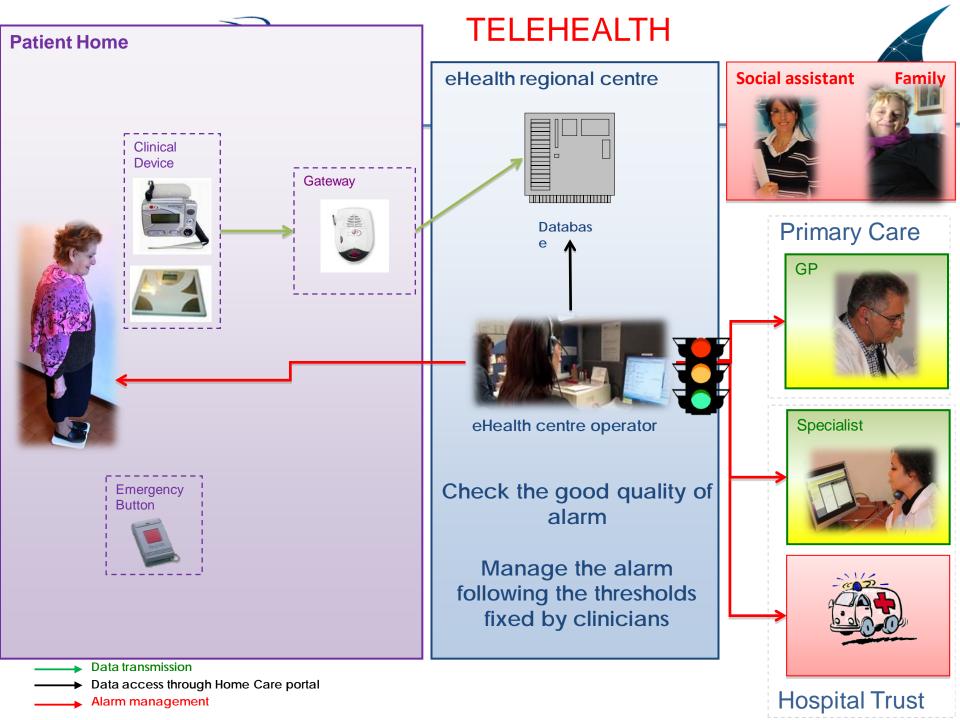














# Alarms Management



White code: no alarm situation, all measured data are in normal range.

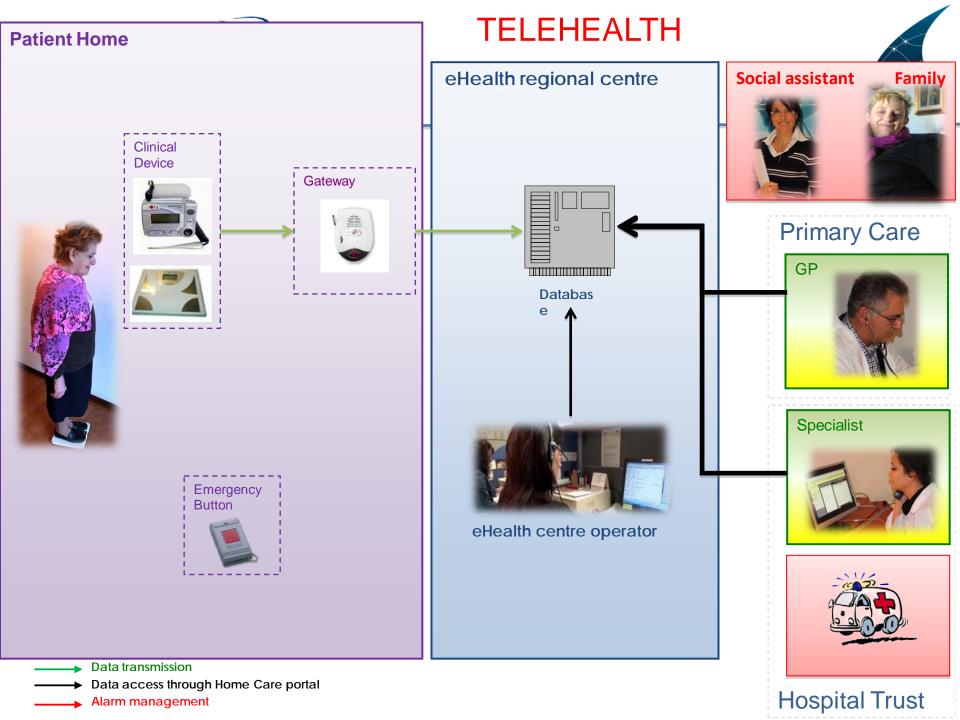
**Green code**: the measured data are sligthly out of normal range. The operator of the eHealth centre send an email to the clinician in order to inform him about the event. The clinician takes the proper action.

**Yellow code**: the measured data are out of normal range. The operator of eHealth centre phones to the referent clinician or send a sms in order to inform him about the event. The clinician takes the proper action.

**Red code**: Emergency situation. This type of alarm is manage with emergency protocol.

**Telehealth service**: 5/7 days and from 8.00 to 18.00

**Telecare service**: 7/7 days and 24/24 hours





# Why to do it?



- Feel safe
- Feel better
- Feel quiet

• Early

Second

opinion

• I'm not a burden for my family





- Feel quiet
- less working days lost



- Less use of resources
- Economic Saving



## Some Outcomes



## Health related quality of life

- > SF-36v2 questionnaires
- number of hospitalization
- number of bed days for hospitalised patients.
- number of specialist visits (both cardiology visits and generic specialist visits).
- number of visits at emergency department

## Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale

➤ The HADS questionnaire measures the level of depression and anxiety of the patients enrolled.

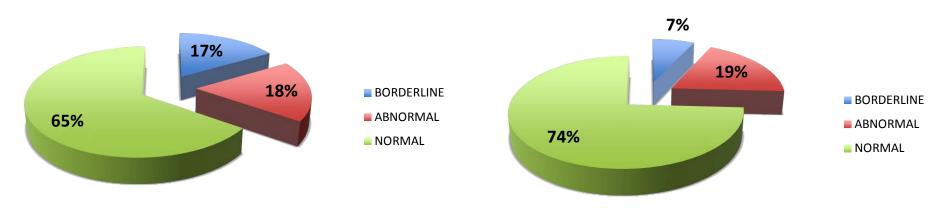


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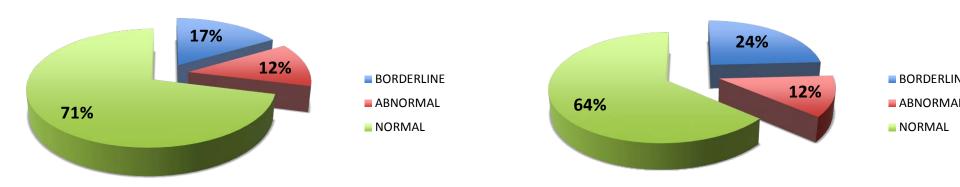
#### HADS STATO DEPRESSIONE I

#### HADS STATO DEPRESSIONE C



#### HADS STATO ANSIA I

#### HADS STATO ANSIA C



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# Patients Perception



- ➤ The questionnaire, called Service User Technology Acceptability Questionnaire, has been developed by University College of London and it was used in Whole System Demostrator pilots including approximately 3000 patients.
- ➤ Based on the answers to the statements six subscale can be estimated:
  - ✓ Enhanced care
  - ✓ Increased accessibility
  - ✓ Privacy and discomfort scale
  - ✓ Kit as substitution
  - ✓ Satisfaction



# Patients Perception



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## From Pilot to Real Life



### It is necessary to:

- decrease cultural barriers of patients and their family
  - → clinicians, patient groups and Local Health Authorities
- pursue with the multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary approach
  - → Technicians, Politicians, Clinicians, Social
- To semplify the work of the clinicians and nurses, integrating the telemonitoring data in their EHR

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